GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEVELOPMENT PACKAGE FOR ORISSA
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Union Government have cleared a special developmentpackage for Orissa under the Development and Reform Facility;

(b) if so, the amount of DRF fund being allocated to Orissa since the package is announced;

(c) the amount of DRF allocated to other States; and

(d) the norms prescribed for the allotment of DRF fund to those States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTE OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): For the Special Plan cleared for the eight KBK Districts of Orissa under the Development and Reform Facility, initiated in the current year, a sum of Rs. 100 crore has been allocated. So far, the first instalment of Rs. 50 crore has been released.

(c)&(d): In addition to the Special Plan for the KBK Districts, the Development and Reform Facility has two other components, namely, the Backward Districts Initiative; and the Special Plan for Bihar. The Backward Districts Initiative isbeing implemented on a pilot basis in the current year for which 25 districts have been identified with an allocation of Rs. 15 crore per district. The projects for the Special Plan for Bihar have been cleared in principle. Releases for these two components will depend on factors such as pace of project formulation, progress of schemes, etc.